

COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY <small>(Includes Reference to PCT International Applications)</small>	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER F3318(C)
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FREEZING VEGETABLES

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